

PATENT

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Applicant:	MCKEAN et al.	Examiner:	TANG, K.
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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COOPERATIVE DISTRIBUTED TASK
MANAGEMENT IN A STORAGE SUBSYSTEM WITH MULTIPLE
CONTROLLERS USING CACHE LOCKING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 23, 2006, Applicants request Continued
Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. The following
amendments and remarks are presented for consideration of the application.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.